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SUBJECT: PRIME MINISTER MANLEY SPEECH TO COMMONWEALTH MEETING
OF HEADS OF GOVERNMENT (CMHG)

1. IN OPENING SPEECH TO CMHG PRIME MINISTER MANLEY
CALLED FOR COMMONWEALTH SUPPORT FOR ESTABLISHMENT NEW
ECONOMIC ORDER IN THE WORLD. BY A NEW ORDER MANLEY SAID HE
MEANT "THE DISCOVERY OF THE TECHNIQUES OF POLITICAL MANAGEMENT
OF WORLD TRADE AND WORLD FINANCE THAT WILL LEAD TO THE
PROGRESSIVE ELIMINATION OF THOSE WIDE DISPARITIES IN WEALTH
NOW EXISTING BETWEEN DIFFERENT SECTIONS OF MANKING AND WHICH
ARE TOO GREAT TO BE TOLERATED."

2. BEMOANING THE FACT THAT THE DEVELOPED WORLD HAD FAILED
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TO RECOGNIZE THE NECESSITY FOR THE NEW ORDER, MANLEY
CLAIMED THAT THE THIRD WORLD HAD BEEN DRIVEN BY ITS POVERTY
AND THE INEXORABLE WORKINGS OF THE FREE TRADE SYSTEM TO THE
DISCOVERY OF THE PRODUCER ASSOCIATION (E.G., OPEC, IBA)

WHICH "HAS CHANGED THE FUNDAMENTAL EQUATIONS OF ECONOMIC POWER AS DID THE INDUSTRIAL REVOLUTION".

3. MANLEY CONCLUDED THAT THE CHOICES THE WORLD FACES ARE THESE: "PRODUCER ASSOCIATIONS CAN EITHER BECOME THE INSTRUMENTS THROUGH WHICH PRODUCING NATIONS CONDUCT A RATIONAL DIALOGUE WITH CONSUMERS WITHIN THE FRAMEWORK OF A NEW ECONOMIC ORDER; OR, FOR WANT OF DIALOGUE, THEY WILL BECOME INCREASINGLY THE INSTRUMENTS THROUGH WHICH THE THIRD WORLD TAKES SUCH UNILATERAL ACTION AS IS DEMANDED BY THE CAUSE OF SURVIVAL AND EQUITY. THE CHOICE, THEREFORE, IS INEVITABLY BETWEEN DIALOGUE AND CONFRONTATION. THE CHALLENGE TO THIS CONFERENCE IS TO EXPLORE THE WAYS BY WHICH THE SCALES OF PROBABILITY MAY BE TIPPED IN FAVOR OF DIALOGUE."

4. ASKED AT A PRESS CONFERENCE APRIL 28 WHAT HE EXPECTED TO BE THE MINIMUM ACHIEVEMENTS OF THE CMHG, MANLEY SAID JAMAICA WAS HOPING THAT THE CONFERENCE WOULD ADDRESS ITS MIND TO THE TYPES OF PRINCIPLES FROM WHICH WOULD GROW FIRM TRADING AND FINANCIAL ARRANGEMENTS. IN THAT SENSE THE MEETING WOULD BE A PREPARATORY STAGE FOR THE UN SESSION IN SEPTEMBER.

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